

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAR 10 2005

Law Offices of

SENNIGER POWERS

One Metropolitan Square, 16th Floor  
St. Louis, Missouri 63102Telephone (314) 231-5400  
Facsimile (314) 231-4342

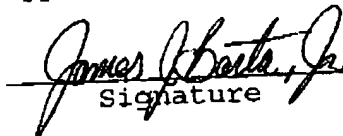
## FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET

DATE: 03/10/2005 ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER: 164031.01 (4934)  
PTO FACSIMILE NUMBER: (703) 872-9306PLEASE DELIVER THIS FACSIMILE TO: Examiner R. Perveen  
THIS FACSIMILE IS BEING SENT BY: James J. Barta, Jr.NUMBER OF PAGES: 17 INCLUDING COVER SHEETTIME SENT: 2:25 pm OPERATOR'S NAME C. Jonell Layton, PLS

## CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to  
the Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.James J. Barta, Jr.

Typed or printed name of person signing certification

  
Signature03/10/2005  
DateType of paper transmitted: Amendment B; Request for ContinuedExamination transmittalApplicant's Name: Souza et al.Serial No. (Control No.): 10/003,338 Examiner: R. PerveenFiling Date: 10/31/2001 Art Unit: 2116 Confirmation No.: 5199Application Title: SELECTIVE SUSPENSION OF BUS DEVICESIF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE ALL PAGES CLEARLY, CALL BACK AS SOON AS  
POSSIBLE. CONFIRMING NUMBER IS (314) 231-5400.

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

MS#164031.01 (4934)  
PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit 2116

Application of Souza et al.  
Serial No. 10/003,338  
Filed 10/31/2001  
Confirmation No. 5199  
For SELECTIVE SUSPENSION OF BUS DEVICES  
Examiner R. Perveen

March 10, 2005

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. BOX 1450  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. REQUIRED SUBMISSION:**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
  - iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

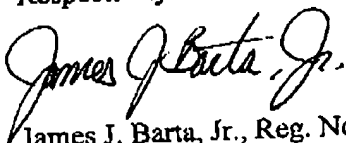
**BEST AVAILABLE COPY**

MS#164031.01 (4934)  
PATENT

3. FEES (Required when the RCE is filed)

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1345. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for fee processing.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)  
ii. ☐ Extension of time fee  
iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,



James J. Barta, Jr., Reg. No. 47,409  
SENNIGER POWERS  
One Metropolitan Square, 16th Floor  
St. Louis, Missouri 63102  
(314) 231-5400

IJB/cjl